Dewan's reply.—A feeding Chattram cannot be established. There is a Musafarkhana already.

Subject No. 499.

Free wood for house building at Heggadadevankote.

Summary of discussion.—The ravages of white ants are so great in Heggadadevankote that houses become unfit for habitation unless the roofs are renewed once in five years. Chief Commissioners formerly allowed raiyats to cut and remove timber required for repairing houses, without payment of any fee. Application was here made for the same concession (*vide* Subject No. 589 of 1892), and it was stated in reply that the Inspector-General of Forests would be asked to report upon the matter. Nothing has yet been done.

Dewan's reply.—Favorable rates exist. But free grants cannot be made.

Subject No. 500.

Bavali River Anikat in Heggadadevankote Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—The raiyats of Yentahalli became paupers, and several of them emigrated to the Wynaad, partly on account of scanty rains in those parts, and partly on account of decay of the anikat and channel on the Bavali river which had been constructed by the Mysore Government. Mr. Standish Lee recently inspected the breached anikat and channel and estimated the cost of repairing them at Rs. 20,000, but no work has yet been started. A sum of about Rs. 800 is annually being remitted, but if the channel be repaired, about 1,000 acres of land will be brought under wet cultivation, and the population of the place will also increase. The subject was brought to H. H's. notice when H. H. visited the Taluk and was urged here also. (*Vide* Nos. 364 of 1891 and 468 of 1893).

[*Note.*—The Chief Engineer's report on this subject is to the effect that a dam was constructed across the Bavali stream in 1840; that it is now in ruins and the channel taken off from it is mostly obliterated; that in 1861, when fixing the boundary between Mysore and Malabar, Manontody got the dam and the first 1½ miles of the channel, and Mysore got in return a tract which belonged to Manontody; that the restoration of the dam and channel cannot be undertaken without the consent of the British Government; and that the work may cost Rs. 15,000, and prove very remunerative, as 1,000 acres would be brought under irrigation.].

Dewan's reply.—The P. W. D. will be instructed to address the necessary communication to the Madras Government.

Subject No. 501.

Repair to the Anikat and channel across the Hebbahalla.

Summary of discussion.—The old anikat and channel across the Hebbahalla near Karigala have been in disrepair for many years and its perennial water is going to waste. The said anikat and channel can be repaired at a cost of Rs. 5,000 and would prove very remunerative.